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Mr. Vernon Williams, Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K St NW Washington, D. C., 20423-0001 Re. AB 33 (Sub No. 200X)

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

Our negotiations with the Union Pacific Railroad for the acquisition of the 23.6 mile railroad right-of-way known as the eastern portion of the Bristow Subdivision in Franklin and Butler Counties in Iowa, are on a continuing basis but more time is required in order to consummate a purchase agreement.

Would you please extend the time in which to finalize these negotiations for an additional six months, at least to March 15, 2006? We thank your for this consideration.

The first copy of this request is being transmittled via FAX. Ten copies via regular mail are also being submitted.

A copy of this request is being provided to the Union Pacific Railroad offices in Chicago and Omaha. We anticipate the Railroad's acquiescence in this extension of time.

Sincerely,

Tom F. Neenan

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